and 12 Units are reported not to ha^« taken any action so far.

In the meanwhile, after reviewing the functioning of industries already having treatment plants, those where plans are under preparation for a long time as well as those which have not responded, this Ministry has issued notices under section 5 of the Environment (Protection) Act, 1986 in 9 cases. After considering the response to these notices in 5 cases order of closure has been issued in respect of one unit and four units have been directed to commission the efflument treatment plants by specified dates.

Export of Agricultural Commodities.

2155. SHRI IAGADISH JANI: Will the Minister of COMMERCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have taken any steps to increase the export of agricultural commodities;

(b) if so, the target set for the export of such commodities during the Seventh Plan period; and

(c) the achievement made so far in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMERCE (.SHRI P. R. DAS MUNSHI): (a) and (b) Export of agricultural commodities depends on the availability of exportable surplus which in turn is subject to fluctuations in production due to seasonal conditions and consequent swings in price levels. Export targets set for some important agricultural Commodities for the terminal year of the VHth Five Year Plan period i.e. 1989-90 are as follows;—

(at 1984-85 price)

Cashew Kernel . .	Rs. 312 Crores
Processed Food . .	Rs. 424 Crores
Spices . .	Rs. 270 Crores
Tobacco unmanufactured . . .	Rs. 258 Crores

Efforts are being made to improve production and productivity so as to stabilise the value and volume of growth ot agricultural products exports. Continuous efforts are being made to upgrade tho quality. As a direct measures to boost exports of agricultural products cash Compensatory support, Import Replenishment and Duty Draw Bank are being mode available for a number of items.

(c) A statement indicating exports of agricultural products from 1985-86 onwards is attached.

Statement

Agriculture Exports

Quantity : M.T.
Value : Rs. Crores.

	1985-86		1986-87		1987-88 (Estimated) April— December	
	Qty.	Value	Qty.	Value	Qty.	Value
1. CEREALS						
(a) Wheat . .	3,26,939	55.49	4,39,105	74.81	3,98,912	62.56
(b) Basmati Rice. .	2,35,213	173.23	2,37,153	206.78	2,08,324*	198.96
(c) Non-Basmati Rice .	—	—	2,689	1.32	35,865	18.54
2. TOBACCO . . .	74,941	160.29	75,019	171.84	51,338	99.15
(a) Unmanufactured .	64,433	139.98	66,824	144.87	40,341	82.92
(b) Manufactured .	10,508	21.31	8,195	26.97	10,997	16.23
3. SPICES . . .	74,501	282.52	79,786	277.48	42,044	175.73
4. CASHEW (Including CNSL) . . .	37,333	216.77	44,530	335.14	36,900	293.20
5. SUGAR/MOLASSES	39,948	18.62	33,325	18.19	32,325	17.75
6. OIL CAKES . .	11,65,045	160.22	14,61,220	231.65	10,34,637	162.01
7. PROCESSED FOODS	—	286.00	—	298.58	2,39,766*	218.79

*(April—November)